IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

LUFKIN DIVISION

LEONARD GERALD SINGER §

VS. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 9:12cv193

DIRECTOR, TDCJ-CID §

MEMORANDUM OPINION REGARDING VENUE

Petitioner Leonard Gerald Singer, an inmate confined in the Diboll Correctional Center, proceeding $pro\ se$, filed this petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254.

Discussion

Petitioner states that in 2008 he was convicted of a criminal offense in the $297^{\rm th}$ District Court of Tarrant County, Texas. He was sentenced to 13 years imprisonment.

Petitioner filed this petition for writ of habeas corpus in the district in which he is currently confined. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d), a petitioner may bring his petition for writ of habeas corpus in the district in which he was convicted or the district in which he is incarcerated. Section 2241(d) further provides that the district court in the exercise of its discretion may transfer the action to the other district in the furtherance of justice.

Petitioner was convicted in Tarrant County, Texas. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 124, Tarrant County is in the Fort Worth Division of the United States District Court for the Northern District of

Texas. The court is of the opinion that the transfer of this action to such district would further justice.

Accordingly, this case will be transferred to the Fort Worth Division of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. A Transfer Order shall be entered in accordance with this Memorandum Opinion.

SIGNED this <u>20</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2012.

KEITH F. GIBLIN

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE